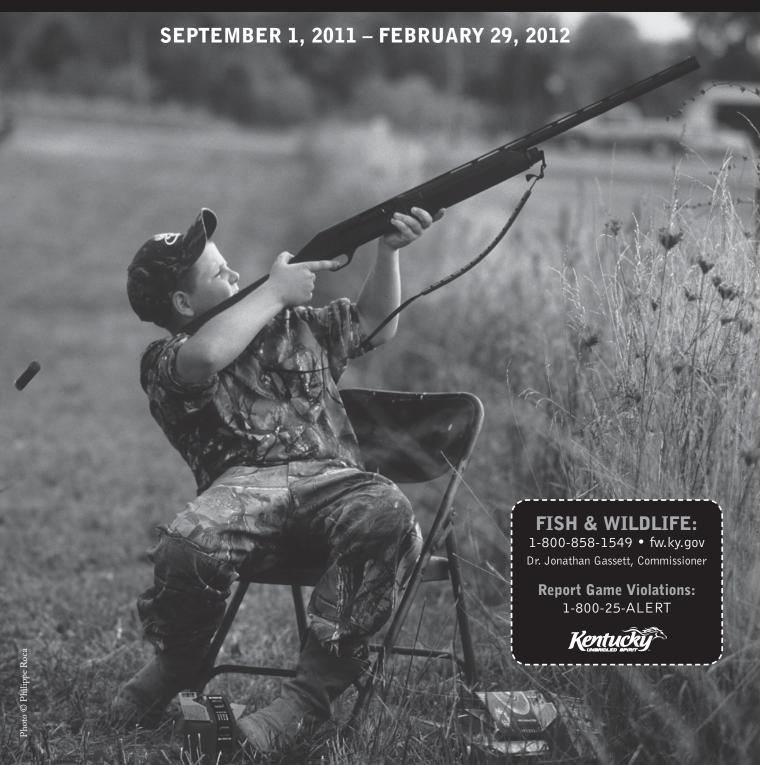


# KENTUCKY HUNTING GUIDE for DOVE, WOOD DUCK, TEAL, WOODCOCK, SNIPE and CROW





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## **GENERAL REGULATIONS**

#### **HUNTING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS**

License: Unless license exempt, hunters must possess a valid Kentucky hunting license when hunting the species listed in this guide.

A Kentucky waterfowl hunting permit, and a federal migratory bird stamp, authorize the holder to hunt all types of migratory game birds including waterfowl (ducks, geese, coots, mergansers), moorhens, gallinules, rails, doves, snipe and woodcock.

For those who hunt migratory birds **other than waterfowl**, a Kentucky migratory game bird permit is required. The state migratory game bird permit authorizes the holder to hunt dove, snipe, woodcock, moorhens, rails and gallinules. (A federal migratory bird stamp is not required to hunt these species.)

When purchasing either a Kentucky waterfowl permit or state migratory game bird permit, hunters will be asked survey questions at the time of purchase.

#### **BAITED FIELDS**

It is illegal to hunt doves or waterfowl over a "baited" field. Baited fields are areas where grain, salt or other attractants have been placed other than those that occur by legitimate agricultural practices. Mature wildlife food plots grown to attract doves are legal hunting areas, as long as no additional attractants have been placed on these areas.

#### **FALCONRY**

The wildlife species listed in this guide may be taken by licensed falconers with any legal hunting raptor during the regular hunting dates listed for each species. All bag and possession limits apply to falconry hunting.

#### FIELD DRESSING

When field dressing, or otherwise

preparing for transportation, any of the species in this guide, except doves, one fully feathered wing or the head must be left on each bird for identification.

#### **HUNTING REQUIREMENTS**

All shotguns used to hunt any game species in Kentucky except deer must be plugged to hold three shells total; one in the chamber and two in the magazine. Shotguns of 10 gauge maximum are permitted.

#### **TAGGING**

No person shall give, put or leave any migratory game birds at any place or in the custody of another unless the birds are tagged by the hunter with the following: 1) The hunter's signature and address; 2) The total number of birds involved, by species; 3) The dates such birds were taken. Tagging is required if birds are being transported by another person for the hunter, or if birds have been left for cleaning, storage (including temporary storage), shipment or taxidermy services.

#### **WANTON WASTE**

All migratory game birds shall be retrieved, if possible, and retained in the custody of the hunter in the field.

#### **NON-TOXIC SHOT**

Possession or use of any lead shot while hunting or attempting to take waterfowl is prohibited statewide. Only USFWS-approved non-toxic shot may be possessed and used to hunt doves on Ballard, Boatwright, Doug Travis, Sloughs, Kaler Bottoms, Kentucky River, Duck Island, Taylorsville Lake, Ohio River Islands, South Shore, Yatesville Lake WMAs and Clarks River NWR and other areas as posted by signs.

#### **ABOUT THIS GUIDE**

This is a SUMMARY of the laws regarding migratory bird hunting. This guide is intended solely for informational use. It is not a reprint of any referenced statute or regulation in its entirety and should not be used as such. Questions about the information contained in this guide should be directed to the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources BEFORE engaging in the activities referenced. Actual wording of any Kentucky Revised Statute (KRS) or Kentucky Administrative Regulation (KAR) can be viewed at www.lrc.state.ky.us/kar/frntpage.htm.

#### WHICH LICENSE OR PERMIT DO YOU NEED?

NOTE: Licenses and permits are not required for kids under the age of 12.

KENTUCKY RESIDENTS	Ages 12-15	Ages 16-64	Ages 65 and over OR Disabled
<b>Migratory Birds</b> (dove, snipe, woodcock, moorhens, rails, gallinules)	Youth Hunting License*	Annual† or 1-Day Hunting License + Kentucky Migratory Bird or Kentucky Waterfowl Permit†	Senior/Disabled License
<b>Waterfowl</b> (ducks, geese, coots and mergansers)	Youth Hunting License*	Annual† or 1-Day Hunting License + Kentucky Waterfowl Permit† + Federal Duck Stamp	Senior/Disabled License + Federal Duck Stamp
		Ages 16 and over	
NONRESIDENTS (must buy nonresident licenses/permits)	Ages 12-15	Ages 16 and	over
	Ages 12-15  Youth Hunting License*	Ages 16 and  Annual, 1-Day or 5-Day + Kentucky Migratory Bird	Hunting License
(must buy nonresident licenses/permits)  Migratory Birds (dove, snipe, woodcock,		Annual, 1-Day or 5-Day	Hunting License or Waterfowl Permit Hunting License

<sup>\*</sup>Included in Youth Sportsman's License

HIP survey required (also required for Resident Sportsman's License) (You will be asked survey questions during your purchase)

## **HUNTING SEASONS**

See next page for further details about these hunting seasons.

SPECIES	Season Dates	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
Dove	Sept. 1 - Oct. 24, Nov. 24 - Dec. 2, 2011 and Dec. 31, 2011 - Jan. 6, 2012	15 (including white- winged dove)	30
Common Snipe	Sept. 21 - Oct. 30, 2011 and Nov. 24, 2011 - Jan. 29, 2012	8	16
Virginia & Sora Rail	Sept. 1 - Nov. 9, 2011	25 singly or combined	25
Gallinule & Common Moorhen	Sept. 1 - Nov. 9, 2011	15 singly or combined	30
American Woodcock	Nov. 1 - Dec. 15, 2011	3	6
Crow	Sept. 1 - Nov. 7, 2011 and Jan. 4 - Feb. 29, 2012	none	none
Early Wood Duck & Teal (includes blue-winged, green-winged and cinnamon teal)	Sept. 21-25, 2011	4 birds with no more than 2 wood ducks	8 birds with no more than 4 wood ducks
September Canada Goose	Sept. 1-15, 2011	2	4
Youth Waterfowl Days	Eastern Zone: Nov. 5-6, 2011 Western Zone: Feb. 4-5, 2012	Same as duck and goose seasons	

SHOOTING HOURS		
Dove, private land	Sept. 1: 11 a.m. to sunset Remainder of dove season: one-half hour before sunrise to sunset	
Dove, public land (WMAs, leased fields)	Sept. 1 - Oct. 24: 11 a.m. to sunset. Remainder of dove season: one-half hour before sunrise to sunset	
All other species	one-half hour before sunrise to sunset	

## DAILY BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS

Daily limit refers to the number of birds which may be taken during a one-day period. Possession limit applies to transporting birds after two or more days of hunting but *does not* permit a double daily bag limit in the field.

<sup>†</sup>Included in Resident Sportsman's License

# OTHER SEASON NOTES

#### **DOVE**

Eurasian collared doves resemble mourning doves but possess a black slash across the back of their necks. Hunters should not continue to hunt for Eurasian collared doves after reaching the 15-bird daily dove bag limit. Eurasian collared doves cleaned in the field count toward the 15-bird daily dove bag limit. If the head and/or wing remains attached during transport or in the field, hunters may take unlimited numbers of Eurasian collared doves.

#### **CROW**

Mechanical devices and electronic attracting devices for crow hunting may only be used during the open season. Crows observed committing or about to commit acts of depredation may be taken year-round; however, persons attempting to take depredating crows shall not use blinds, decoys, calls or other lures to attract birds into shooting range during the closed season.

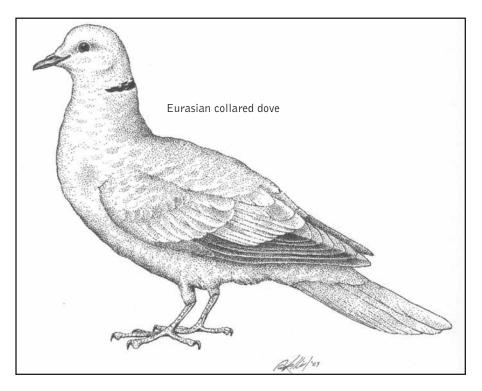
#### **EARLY WOOD DUCK AND TEAL**

USFWS-approved non-toxic shot no larger than size T is required for all waterfowl hunting. Hunters may not possess or use lead shot while hunting or attempting to take waterfowl.

#### **SEPTEMBER CANADA GOOSE**

The following areas are closed to this season:

1. Northeast Goose Zone: Bath, Menifee,



Morgan (except the portion in Paintsville Lake WMA) and Rowan counties including Cave Run Lake.

- 2. West-Central Goose Zone public lands (private lands are open): Muhlenberg County, Ohio County south of Rough River, Butler County west of Hwy. 79 and north of Hwy. 70, and Hopkins County east of Hwys. 814 and Madisonville, and south of Hwy. 85 east of Madisonville.
- **3. Ballard Reporting Area:** The portion of Ballard County north or west of the Ballard-McCracken County line to Hwy. 358; Hwy. 358 to U.S. 60; U.S. 60 to the city limits of Wickliffe; the city

limits of Wickliffe to the center of the Mississippi River.

Areas manipulated for dove hunting ARE NOT legal for waterfowl hunting.

#### YOUTH WATERFOWL DAYS

Two weekends, one in each duck zone, have been designated for youth only to waterfowl hunt. Hunters under age 16 may take a legal limit of ducks, coots, mergansers and geese on these days. (Western Duck Zone: All counties west of and including Daviess, Ohio, Butler, Warren and Simpson). See the 2011-12 Kentucky Hunting Guide for Waterfowl for additional information.

## **PUBLIC HUNTING**

# 2011 PUBLIC DOVE FIELDS

WMAs and Leased Fields

Private fields in the cooperative dove field program are open for public dove hunting Sept. 1, 3, 5 and 10 (except Mentor-Youth Hunt sites are closed to the general public Sept. 1). All fields reopen Sept. 10 - Oct. 24. Private cooperative fields are closed to public access except on the dates listed above.

Hunters may drive by private cooperative fields prior to the season but may not leave their vehicles to scout. Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) are open during regular seasons under statewide regulations unless otherwise specified in the following list. Wet weather delayed spring planting of some fields. Field conditions may vary considerably, even on the same WMA. Kentucky Fish and Wildlife recommends hunters scout fields listed below to ensure they are ready for the time you plan to hunt. When hunting a public

area, hunt safely and be courteous of others. Do not leave trash behind. The future of the cooperative dove field program depends on you.

## WESTERN KENTUCKY Ballard County

 Ballard Wildlife Management Area (WMA): U.S. 60 west from Paducah, about 16 miles then turn right onto Hwy. 310. Travel about 6 miles to stop sign at Hwy. 358. Cross Hwy. 358 and continue on Hwy. 310 to Hwy 1105. Cross Hwy. 1105 onto Mitchell Lake Rd. then travel about 2 miles to fields on both sides of road. U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)-approved, non-toxic shot only.

 Boatwright WMA: 2 miles west of Barlow on Mound City Rd., right onto Axe Lake Rd., about 0.5 mile on left. *U.S.* Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)-ap-

#### proved, non-toxic shot. **Carlisle County**

 Doug Travis WMA: From Paducah, U.S. 62 (west) to Bardwell, then pick up Hwy. 123 to its intersection with Hwy. 877 (Berkley Fish Lake Rd.) at Berkley. Turn right (west) onto Hwy. 877 for 3.5 miles to Fish Lake boat ramp turnoff. Turn right (east) and travel 0.9 mile to field on right side of road. From Wickliffe, take Hwy. 51 (south) to Bardwell and pick up Hwy. 123 to Berkley. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)-approved non-toxic shot only.

#### **Livingston County**

- 30 acres: From Carrsville, take Hwy. 135 east 0.6 mile to field on left.
- 30 acres: From Smithland, take Hwy. 70 east 0.6 mile to field on left.

#### McCracken County

• West Kentucky WMA: Tract 1 – 7 acres. U.S. 60 west from Paducah to Future City, right (north) onto Hwy. 996. Travel about 1.4 miles then turn left (west) onto Hwy. 725 for about 1 mile to Kelley Rd./Hwy. 726, turn right (north), field in northwestern corner of the intersection of Hwy. 725 and Kelley Rd. Tract 5 – 20 acres in 3 fields. U.S. 60 west from Paducah to Future City, turn right (north) onto Hwy. 996, travel about 3.6 miles then left (west) onto Hwy. 358 for 1.7 miles. Turn right (north) onto Boldry School Rd. for about 1 mile to fields on both sides of road.

#### **WEST CENTRAL KENTUCKY Barren County**

· Barren River Lake WMA: Goose Island Unit - 27 acres. Access from US 31 E to Hwy. 1318.

#### **Breckinridge County**

- Yellowbank WMA: 20 miles north of Hardinsburg on Hwy. 259; 20 miles west of Brandenburg on Hwy. 144 to Hwy. 259. 2 fields, see map at Information Station. On Tract 4, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)-approved, non-toxic shot only (marked by signs).
- 10 acres: From Hardinsburg, take Hwy. 259, turn left on U.S. 60, turn right on Hwy. 259, then right on Hwy. 110. From

## Special closings

Indicates a Mentor/Youth Hunt site, where all or part of the area is reserved for Mentor/Youth Hunt participants on certain dates. Reservations are required for these hunts. See page 5 for more information, or call 1-800-858-1549 or visit fw.ky.gov.

Hartford, take Hwy. 69 (north), turn right onto Hwy. 878, turn right onto Hwy. 54, turn left onto Hwy. 736 (Lone Hill Rd.), turn left onto Hwy. 79, turn right onto Hwy. 259 and turn right onto Hwy. 110.

#### **Henderson County**

• Sloughs WMA: Hwy. 136 to Geneva, then onto Hwy. 268 for about 6.5 miles. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)approved, non-toxic shot only.

#### **Hopkins County**

- 20 acres: From the Pennyrile Parkway, take exit 49 at Hanson to Hwy. 260 east for 1.4 miles to a left onto Hwy. 281 (Island Ford Rd.). Travel 1.4 miles, then left onto Charlie Rogers Ln. to field.
- 10 acres: From Pennyrile Parkway, take exit 37 and travel east on Morton's Gap/White City Rd for 0.3 mile to field on right. Parking adjacent to Blue Morton Bldgs.

#### **Ohio County**

• 30 acres: From Owensboro, take Hwy. 54 east, turn left on Old Leitchfield Rd., then right onto Zion Church Rd. From Hartford, take Hwy. 69 north to a left onto Zion Church Rd.

#### **Simpson County**

• 15 acres: Take U.S. 31 W south in Franklin to Hwy. 1008 to a left (south) onto Witt Rd. Travel 1 mile to dove field parking area on left.

#### Muhlenberg/Ohio counties

 Peabody WMA: Sinclair Unit and Ken Unit. User permit required for Peabody WMA, call (270) 273-3568 for more information.

#### **Union County**

Higginson-Henry WMA: Hwy. 56, about 7 miles southeast of Morganfield. Two fields, see maps at kiosk. One field (marked by signs) closed Sept. 1-2 for Mentor/Youth Hunt on Sept. 3; call 1-800-858-1549 for reservations.

#### **CENTRAL KENTUCKY Boyle County**

• 30 acres: On U.S. 127 Bypass in Danville, across from Applebees. Turn at

Danville Fire Dpt., cross levee to field.

#### **Garrard County**

• 16 acres: From Lancaster, take Hwy. 39 north about 4.3 miles to a left onto Hwy. 563. Travel about 1.1 miles to a right onto Kirby Ln. and follow signs to field.

#### **Grant County**

Curtis Gates Lloyd WMA: 3 fields. Take Crittenden exit from I-75. Follow U.S. 25 south to Hwy. 491, turn left across railroad tracks, then right on Wildlife Rd. Fields 2 and 3 closed Sept. 1-2 for Mentor/Youth Hunt Sept. 3; call 1-800-858-1549 for reservations.

#### **Henry County**

- Kentucky River WMA: U.S. 421 to Hwy. 561, 1 mile west of Gest (near Lock 3). U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)-approved, non-toxic shot only.
- 15 acres: Take Hwy. 55 north past New Castle about 5 miles, turn right on Mc-Carty Ln.

#### **Kenton County**

· Mullins WMA: One mile north of Crittenden on Eads Rd., bordering I-75.

#### **Madison County**

- Blue Grass Army Depot: For information regarding hunting seasons visit https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/ bluegrassrectrac.html.
- Miller Welch-Central Kentucky WMA: 9 miles southeast of Richmond; from U.S. 421 at Kingston left (east) onto Hwy. 3376 (Dreyfus Rd.) for about 2 miles. Turn right (south) onto Muddy Creek Rd. (just past WMA office) to dove fields on right.

#### Mercer County

- 15 acres: From Harrodsburg, take U.S. 127 north to a left onto Wheat School Rd., then right onto Bondville Rd. for 1 mile to Hawkins Ln., field on right.
- 17 acres: From Harrodsburg, take U.S. 127 north to a left onto Kirkwood Rd. (Hwy. 1987), then right onto Bondville Rd. Turn right onto Crews St., field on right.

#### Owen County

• Kentucky River WMA: 2 fields. Field 1 - Hwy. 355 north to Browns Bottom Rd. Field 2 - Hwy. 355 north to a left onto Old Landing Rd. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)-approved, non-toxic shot only for both fields.

#### **Scott County**

• 30 acres: Northeast of Georgetown on Old Oxford Rd. Follow signs to field on

#### **Washington County**



20 acres: Field is 0.5 mile south of Fredericktown, 2 miles from U.S.

150 on Burg Hill Rd., off Short Creek Rd. Closed Sept. 1-2 and Sept. 4 for Mentor/Youth Hunt Sept. 3; call 1-800-858-1549 for reservations.

## NORTHEASTERN KENTUCKY Bath County

- 16 acres: From Owingsville, take Hwy. 111 northeast for 6.5 miles to a right onto Old Wyoming Rd., farm 0.5 mile on left.
- 8 acres: From Sharpsburg, take Hwy. 11 (northeast) for 9 miles, to a right onto Hwy. 1325 for 1.5 miles. Take a left onto Hwy. 1602 for 2 miles to Pebble, then left onto N. Lick Branch Rd. for 0.5 mile to field on left.

#### **Carter and Elliott counties**

Grayson Lake WMA: Frazier Flats
 Unit - From I-64 at Grayson, take Hwy.
 7 south for 7.5 miles to a left onto Hwy.
 1496 for 4 miles. Turn right onto Hwy.
 1122 (Little Fork) for 3.3 miles, then
 right onto Wells Branch Rd. for 2.6
 miles. Turn left at intersection and travel
 0.2 mile to WMA parking area.

#### Fleming County

- Marietta Booth tract of Clay WMA:
   From Carlisle take Hwy. 32 east for about 12 miles then right at WMA sign.
   Go 0.3 mile to WMA parking area on left.
- 8 acres: From Flemingsburg, take Hwy.
  32 west for 8 miles to Cowan.
- 14.5 acres: From Flemingsburg, take Hwy. 11 south for 5 miles, take Hwy.
   1336 southeast for 3.6 miles, then 1 mile east on Graham Rd.
- 14.5 acres: From Flemingsburg, take Hwy. 32 west for 1.9 miles.
- 20 acres: From Mt. Carmel, take Mt. Carmel-Beechburg Rd. (Carpenter Rd.) south 1 mile, then east on Black Diamond Rd. for 1.3 miles.

#### **Greenup County**

 South Shore WMA: From South Shore take U.S. 23 east to a left (north) at the South Shore WMA sign for 0.4 miles.
 Field is adjacent to parking area. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)-approved, non-toxic shot only.

#### **Lewis County**

 Lewis County WMA: From the junction of Hwy. 8 and AA Hwy. (Hwy. 10) near Quincy, 4.9 miles east on Hwy. 8 to the St. Paul/Morris Hill access sign. Left at sign and cross railroad tracks then left for 0.2 mile to dove field.

#### **Morgan County**

• 16 acres: From the intersection of Hwy. 7

- and 519, take Hwy. 519 north to a left onto Hwy. 976 for 0.3 mile, field on left.
- 20 acres: From the intersection of Hwy. 7 and 519, take Hwy. 519 north to a Hwy. 1414, field is on left side of Hwy. 519.

#### **Nicholas County**

 15 acres: From Millersburg, take U.S. 68 northeast 1 mile to a right onto Hwy.
 396 (Carpenter Pike) and travel 2.8 miles to farm on left.

#### Pike County

 Fishtrap Lake WMA: From U.S. 23 south of Pikeville, take U.S. 460 east for about 15.2 miles. Turn left and proceed about 3.2 miles to field.

#### SOUTHEASTERN KENTUCKY Adair County

Green River Lake WMA: 12 acres:
From Columbia, take Hwy. 55 north for
2 miles, then right on Hwy. 551 for
2.25 miles, then left onto Hwy. 2971
(Holmes Bend Rd.) Travel 4 miles to a
left onto Corbin's Bend Rd. for 2.2
miles to field.

#### **Breathitt County**

Paul Van Booven WMA: 11 acres: From Hazard, go 7 miles east on Hwy. 80, then west on Hwy. 476 for 14 miles. Turn right on Little Buckhorn Rd. for about 1 mile to entrance on right. Drive to top of hill, park at Elk Viewing Area lot and walk 0.25 mile to field. Closed Sept. 1-2 and Sept. 4 for Mentor/ Youth Hunt Sept. 3; call 1-800-858-1549 for reservations.

#### **Green County**

30 acres: U.S. 68/70 south from Greensburg about 5.9 miles. Turn right onto Hwy. 218 for about 2 miles, left onto Roy Bagby Rd. Fields at end of road, on right. Closed Sept. 1-2 and Sept. 4 for Mentor/Youth Hunt Sept. 3; call 1-800-858-1549 for reservations.

• 30 acres: From Greensburg take Hwy. 61 north for 8.1 miles, turn a left onto Hwy. 569 for 5.3 miles to a right onto Hwy. 566. Travel 1.4 miles to fields on boths sides of the road.

#### **Lincoln County**

30 acres: From the U.S. 27/150 intersection at Stanford, travel 6 miles southeast on U.S. 150. After crossing Cedar Creek Lake dam, turn left onto Sportsman's Ln. for 0.3 mile to parking area at Cedar Creek Sportsman's Club. Closed Sept. 1-2 and Sept. 4 for Mentor/Youth Hunt Sept. 3; call 1-800-858-1549 for reservations.

• 30 acres: From Stanford, take U.S. 27

north for 0.16 mile to a left onto Hwy. 590. Travel 1.5 miles to gravel lane on left and proceed to marked field.

#### **Pulaski County**

• 20 acres: Hwy. 80 west from Somerset for about 15.6 miles, then right onto Hickory Nut Rd. for about 6 miles to field on right.

#### **Taylor County**

 Green River Lake WMA: 10 acres in two fields. From Campbellsville, take Hwy. 70 east for about 2.2 miles to dirt road on left (across from Hwy. 76).

#### Whitley County

 20 acres: From Corbin, take U.S. 25 W for 5.9 miles to a right onto Frankfort School Rd. for 0.13 mile to a right onto Ernest Alsip Rd. for 0.17 mile to field.

# SPECIAL WMA RESTRICTIONS

Wildlife Management Areas not listed here or in the "Closed Areas" section are open under statewide regulations.

#### **BOATWRIGHT WMA**

(Ballard County)

#### Ballard and Swan Lake portion

Dove: Sept. 1 - Oct. 13, 2011 Snipe: Sept. 15 - Oct. 13, 2011 Rails, Moorhen, Gallinules: Sept. 1 - Oct. 13, 2011

No woodcock hunting permitted. The body of water known as Swan Lake and other areas designated by signs are closed to all hunting.

## CENTRAL KENTUCKY WMA

(Madison County)

Dove: Sept. 1 - Oct. 13, 2011 Snipe: Sept. 15 - Oct. 13, 2011 No woodcock hunting permitted.

#### **PIONEER WEAPONS AREAS**

Breech- and muzzle-loading shotguns may be used to take wood ducks and teal on the shoreline portions of the Pioneer Weapons Areas at 1) Cave Run Lake, and 2) all waterfowl at Barren River Lake.

#### **WEST KENTUCKY WMA**

(McCracken County)

Dove: Sept. 1 - Oct. 24 and Nov. 25 - Dec. 3, 2011 and Jan. 1-7, 2012 Snipe: Sept. 15 - Oct. 31 and Nov. 25, 2011 - Jan. 23, 2012. Woodcock: Oct. 17 - Nov. 19 and Nov. 25-29, 2011.

Hunting permitted on tracts 2, 3, 6 and 7 only. (WMA closed to September Canada goose season.)

## OTHER HUNTING AREAS

The following areas have special seasons and regulations for all hunting. Contact the individual areas at the addresses and telephone numbers listed below.

## CLARKS RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

P.O. Box 89 Benton, KY 42025 (270) 527-5770

## FORT CAMPBELL MILITARY RESERVATION

Outdoor Recreation Branch, Bldg. 6645 101st Airborne Div. Rd. Ft. Campbell, KY 42223-5000 (270) 798-2175

## FORT KNOX MILITARY RESERVATION

Hunt Control Office

Fort Knox, KY 40121-5719 (502) 624-7311

## LAND BETWEEN THE LAKES NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

100 Van Morgan Dr.Golden Pond, KY 42211-9001 (270) 924-2065

## OHIO RIVER ISLANDS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

3982 Waverly Rd. Williamstown, WV 26187 (304) 375-2923, ext. 117

## REELFOOT NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

4343 Hwy. 157 Union City, TN 38261 (731) 538-2481

#### **CLOSED AREAS**

## CLOSED TO MIGRATORY GAME BIRD HUNTING

1) The main block of Robinson Forest WMA; 2) the portion of Grayson Lake WMA within three-quarters of a mile of the dam, the Deer Creek Branch, the shores of Camp Webb and the state park; 3) the Greenbrier Creek Branch of Yatesville Lake, including all islands, north of

the mouth of Greenbrier Creek Branch; 4) Land Between The Lakes NRA from Sept. 30 - Nov. 30.

#### **CLOSED TO WATERFOWL HUNTING**

All designated goose refuge lakes within the Western Kentucky coalfields are closed to all waterfowl hunting.

#### **WATERFOWL REFUGES**

The following areas are waterfowl refuges: portion of Lake Cumberland WMA including Wesley Bend (bounded by Fishing Creek, Fishing Creek Road and Beech Grove Road) and Yellowhole (bounded by Fishing Creek Road and Hickory Nut Road) are closed to the public Oct. 15 - March 15. Ohio River Waterfowl Refuge (From Smithland Lock and Dam upstream to powerline crossing at river mile 911.5) is closed to hunting Oct. 15 - March 15 and Stewart Island is closed to the public Oct. 15 - March 15. On Peabody WMA, portions of Sinclair and Homestead mines as marked by signs are closed to the public Oct. 15 - March 15. On Sloughs WMA, the Sauerheber Unit is closed to the public Nov. 1-March 15 except the Crenshaw and Duncan tracts which are open for waterfowl hunting only. The area of Yellowbank WMA posted by signs is closed to the public Oct. 15 - March 15.

## YOUTH HUNTING

#### **MENTOR/YOUTH DOVE HUNTS**

Fields set aside for Mentor/Youth hunts are open Sept. 3 to pre-registered hunters only. On this day, adult dove hunters can introduce a young hunter to the challenge and tradition of the early season dove hunt. Hunts require pre-registration (see **rules** below for details). Thereafter, unreserved slots will be available on a first come, first served basis. Mentor/Youth dove fields on wildlife management areas reopen to the public Sept. 4, while private fields operated by the department reopen for general public hunting Sept. 5 and 10. The following rules describe the hunt.

#### **MENTOR/YOUTH HUNT RULES**

1. Open only to adults accompanied by a youth (ages 15 and under), though not

- necessary for the youth to hunt.
- 2. Both mentor and youth can hunt, but must do so from the same field location (stake). All hunters must stay within 15 feet of their assigned shooting location. One adult may take two youths to these hunts. Two shotguns are allowed per stake. Two limits of 15 doves allowed per stake.
- 3. The number of hunters in Mentor/ Youth Hunt fields will be strictly limited to insure a safe and quality hunt.
- 4. Field slots will be available only by advanced registration from 8 a.m. EDT Aug. 8, until 4:30 p.m. EDT, Aug. 22; call 1-800-858-1549 weekdays from 8 a.m to 4:30 p.m. Unreserved slots will be available on a first come, first served basis at the field on the day of the hunt until all slots are filled.
- Hunting groups must check in prior to hunting and check out prior to leaving the field with Kentucky Fish and

Wildlife staff.

- 6. After the field is filled no new hunting groups will be allowed in.
- 7. Hunting groups in the field may move to different staked sites when the assigned group vacates that site.
- 8. Hunters *must* leave their guns at their shooting location (stake) when retrieving downed birds.
- 9. Shooting hours limited to 2 7 p.m., local time. All hunting groups must be out of the field by 7:30 p.m., local time.
- 10. All hunters will be responsible for cleaning up their shooting location (including empty shells) prior to leaving the field.
- 11. Mentors and youth must conduct themselves in a safe manner and abide by these and other rules posted at the hunt field. Failure to do so will result in termination of hunting privilege for that field that day.
- 12. Hunter education and licensing requirements apply.





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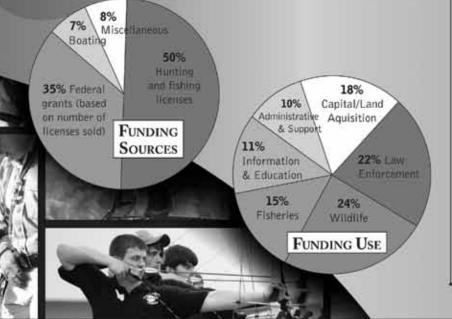
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## WHO WE ARE

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources is an agency of the Kentucky Tourism, Arts & Heritage Cabinet. Our nine-member commission is nominated by Kentucky sportsmen and sportswomen and appointed by the governor. This commission appoints the department's commissioner.

We employ about 500 people full-time, including conservation officers, wildlife and fisheries biologists, conservation educators, and information technology, public relations, customer service and administrative professionals.

Our headquarters is located in Frankfort, but we work with landowners, hunters, anglers, boaters and wildlife enthusiasts statewide.



## WHAT WE DO

We conserve and enhance fish and wildlife resources and provide opportunity for hunting, fishing, trapping, boating and other wildlife-related activities.

Every year, we:

- Enforce hunting, fishing and boating laws across Kentucky for resource protection and public safety.
- Manage about 1 million acres of public land and water for the benefit of all fish and wildlife species.
- Stock more than 4 million fish in public waters.
- Build and maintain public boat ramps, shooting ranges and bank fishing access areas, and acquire new public land and maintain facilities (capital construction).
- Assist about 2,000 private landowners with fish and wildlife habitat improvement.
- Inform and educate more than 400,000 kids and adults through education and outreach programs.

## How You HELP

Kentucky Fish and Wildlife receives no money from the state's General Fund.

You provide our agency's funding every time you:

- · Buy a hunting or fishing license
- Buy a firearm, ammunition, or fishing or archery equipment
- · Pay your boat registration fee
- · Buy fuel for your boat